

REMARKS

Claims 1-28 are pending in the application and stand rejected. Claims 1-14 have been canceled without prejudice, and the abstract has been amended to comport to the remaining claims.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C §112

Claims 2 and 16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Claim 2 has been cancelled and claim 16 has been amended to remove both limitations objected to by the Examiner. Applicant thus submits that this rejection is now moot.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C §101

Claims 1-2 and 4-13 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §101 because claim 1 does not disclose a tangible medium.” Applicant has canceled these claims without prejudice and respectfully submits that this rejection is now also moot.

Applicant acknowledges with gratitude the Examiner’s indication of allowability as to claims 15 and 18-27 and submits that, in view of the amendments presented herein, the application is now in condition for allowance.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 08-2025. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 08-2025.

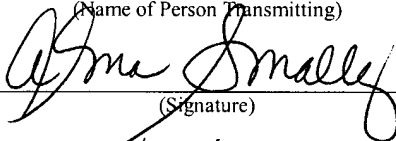
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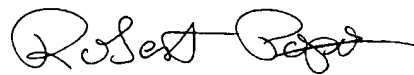


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